

### **About the author**

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Jim is in the Department of Chemistry at Stanford University in California.

He insists that the problem of solving Rubik's Cube is very similar to the daily problems he faces in Chemistry.

Jim bought a cube as a 1980 Christmas gift for someone and became so enthralled with it that he kept it for himself. At the time, many of his colleagues were working unsuccessfully on solving the cube. He felt very certain that he was uniquely qualified to solve the enigma of Rubik's Cube because of his academic background. (Jim is a group-theory mathematician as well as holding a doctorate in Chemistry studying molecular structure and movement of particles.)

During that Christmas vacation he began writing his simplified solution to the cube. His cube is battered and worn from the many hours of twisting and twirling.

He presently uses his cube as a pacifier. He says it beats drinking or nail biting.

# **THE SIMPLE SOLUTION TO RUBIK'S CUBE™**

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